Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) all over India held a demonstration on 13th February, 1990 to press for their charter of demands; and

(b) if so, what are the details of their demands and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir. Demonstration was held by All India Scientific Workers Association and Federation of CSIR Employees, Workers Unions and Association at CSIR Headquarters. As per information available, protest meetings were also held in some Laboratories/Institutes.

(b) The demands mainly related, *inter-alia* to the following matters regarding assessment and promotional system of Scientific and Technical personnel;

(i) the restriction on percentage and number of chances for assessment and the thresholds prescribed

(ii) Residency period for assessment of staff in Groups-I and II.

(iii) Extension of assessment upto the grade of Rs. 5,900-7,300.

(iv) Amendments in the criteria for consideration for merit Assessment scheme.

(v) Criteria for selection of referees.

(vi) Matters relating to composition of Assessment Committees.

(vii) Removal of certain scales in Groups 1&2.

(viii) Open Annual Appraisal forms.

(iv) Apportioning of relative marks in total evaluation.

(x) Removal of cut off date for Faster Track promotion.

(xi) Removal of grades of Rs. 225-308 & Rs. 380-560 pre-revised restrospectively from Groups 1&2.

(xii) Decentralisation of assessment under erstwhile bye-law 71(a).

(xiii) Change over from 71(b) to integrated recruitment and assessment scheme (IRAS).

Developmental projects in space research during 8th Five Year Plan

118. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the developmental projects which are likely to be taken up for construction and expansion in the sphere of space research, science and technology, during the Eighth Five Year Plan period; and

(b) what are the projects which are likely to be setup in Kerala, as part of the proposed development activities in this field during the period of 8th Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) The draft Eighth Five Year Plan of the Department of Space is under consideration of the Plannig Commission. The proposals envisages two operational space systems, namely INSAT system and IRS system, which

will need to be maintained and expanded to meet the projected demand of services, with the necessary in-orbit replacements an operational ground support systems. In the case of IRS system, the acquisition/processing and dissemination of the satellite data to the user community will also be a major responsibility to be discharged by the Department of Space. During the Eighth Five Year Plan period, it is envisaged to complete the operationalisation of IRS-IB Spacecraft, IRS-IC Spacecraft, INSAT-II Test Spacecraft, Augmented Satellite Launch Vehicle (ASLV), and Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV). Also development of Geosynchronous Launch vehicle (GSLV) and Cryogenics engine and Stage constitutes an important activity proposed to be carried out during this period.

(b) The development of the Geo-Synchronous Launch Vehicle Project (GSLV) and Cryogenics Project is the the responsibility of the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre at Trivandrum and Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre at Trivandrum respectively with participation from other Centres of Department of Space/Indian Space Research Organisation and Indian Industry.

Clearance for diversion of Reserved Forest Land in Kerala

119. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala Government have requested the Central Government for clearance to divert-nosition of the Reserved Forest Land in that State for the purpose of granting title deeds to the farmers who have occupying and cultivating it for a long time; and

(b) what is the response of Government to this request?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (MRS. MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) Proposal of the State Government of Kerala seeking approval of Government of India under Forest (Conservation) Act for regularisation of encroachment and asignment of reserved forest lands in the State and issuance of title deeds has been kept in abeyance in view of absolute stay granted by Honourable High Court of Kerala "on assignment of forest land and issuance of Patta" in favour of encroachers in Idukki district.

Filling of FIR in HDW submariie deal with West Germany

120. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI has filed any FIR in connection with the HDW submarine deal with West Germany;

(b) whether any investigation team has been sent abroad in connection with the enquiry on the deal; and

(c) what are the preliminary findings of the team and what steps are being taken to expedite the process of unearthing the kickbacks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) It will not be in the interest of proper investigations to divulge further details at this stage.

Plan outlay of States

121. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the plan outlay of each State and the percentage of increase in the allocation of this year and the last year; and